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**UTILITY  
PATENT APPLICATION  
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**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

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1.  Fee Transmittal Form  
*Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing*
2.  Specification  
*(preferred arrangement set forth below)*
- Descriptive title of the Invention
  - Cross Reference to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R&D
  - Reference to Microfiche Appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings *(if filed)*
  - Detailed Description of the Invention (including drawings, *if filed*)
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
3.  Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) [Total Sheets 11]
4.  Oath or Declaration (unexecuted) [Total Sheets 2]
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  - b.  Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))  
*(for continuation/divisional with Box 17 completed)*
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- i.  **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33 (b).
5.  Incorporation By Reference *(useable if Box 4b is checked)*  
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6.  Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)
7.  Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission  
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- a.  Computer Readable Copy
  - b.  Paper Copy (identical to computer copy)
  - c.  Statement verifying identity of above copies

**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**

8.  Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
9.  37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement  Power of Attorney  
*(when there is an assignee)*
10.  English Translation Document *(if applicable)*
11.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449  Copies of IDS Citations
12.  Preliminary Amendment
13.  Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
*(Should be specifically itemized)*
14.  Applicant claims Small Entity status, see 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
15.  Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)  
*(if foreign priority is claimed)*
16.  Other: Copy of WO 01/91875 A1 (corresponding to PCT/IB01/00942), and International Search Report therefor.

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